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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicant brings to the Examiner's attention the following copending and commonly assigned patent applications:

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/472,243, in the name of Y. Kurosawa et al., filed on December 27, 1999; and

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/773,584, in the name of Y. Kurosawa, filed on February 2, 2001.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above material.

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